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## **Department of Homeland Security Grant Funding Profile**

Today we are announcing the distribution in Nebraska of \$7,226,474 in State Homeland Security funds allocated through the US Department of Homeland Security.

The State of Nebraska is structured in seven (7) regions (Southeast, South Central, East Central, Northeast, Panhandle, North Central and Southwest), the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) counties (Washington, Douglas and Sarpy), and to four state agencies for Homeland Security program purposes.

It was determined by the Nebraska Homeland Security Planning Team and the Homeland Security Policy Group that the proper structure for distribution of Homeland Security funding should include:

- Block grants to the regions for Interoperable Communications, and to support a regional Planning, Exercising and Training (PET) program.
- The establishment of regional governance structures.
- Allocation of Homeland Security dollars to the 10 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) cities for Chemical, Biological, Radioactive, Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) HazMat equipment.
- Allocation of Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP) dollars to the UASI counties and the Southeast Region for the development and establishment of a state Fusion process for intelligence and information sharing.
- An MOU with the Regional Interoperability Advisory Board (RIAB) and the State Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC) Council of Regions to put into place the operational licenses for statewide interoperable communication, and for long-term planning and operational support for interoperable communication at the state and local levels.

With those guidelines in mind, the 2007 Homeland Security grant funding is divided into four primary program areas:

<b>State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)</b>	<b>\$ 3,820,000</b>
<b>Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP)</b>	<b>2,730,000</b>
<b>Citizen Corps Program (CCP)</b>	<b>160,184</b>
<b>Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS)</b>	<b>516,290</b>

**Total Grant Funding – \$7,226,474**

**SHSP** funding is broken out into five categories – Communications; Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Equipment; Regional Planning, Exercising and Training (PET); and State Agencies:

**Communications Distribution:**

Southeast	\$ 522,803
South Central	403,310
East Central	329,683
Northeast	328,476
Panhandle	294,680
North Central	278,989
Southwest	256,056
<b>Total -</b>	<b>\$ 2,414,000</b>

**Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**

**Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) Equipment distribution:**

UASI	\$ 50,000
Southeast	25,000
South Central	75,000
East Central	25,000
Northeast	25,000
Panhandle	25,000
North Central	0
Southwest	25,000
<b>Total -</b>	<b>\$ 250,000</b>

**Regional Planning, Exercising and Training (PET) distribution:**

UASI	\$ 42,000
Southeast	50,000
South Central	50,000
East Central	50,000
Northeast	50,000
Panhandle	50,000
North Central	50,000
Southwest	50,000
<b>Total -</b>	<b>\$ 392,000</b>

**State Agency Distribution:**

Nebraska Emergency Management Agency	\$ 550,000
Department of Agriculture	90,000
Nebraska State Fire Marshal	71,000
University of Nebraska System	53,000
<b>Total -</b>	<b>\$ 764,000</b>

**LETPP** funding of \$2,730,000 is being divided between two programs, the Interoperable Communications Licensing System and the new state Fusion Center process for information and intelligence sharing within law enforcement. The State is earmarking \$1,100,000 in LETPP funding for the interoperable communications licensing program through a memorandum of understanding with the Regional Interoperability Advisory Board and the Council of Regions through the State Interoperability Executive Committee. State and local funding for the Fusion Center process totals \$1,630,000.

**Citizen Corps Program (CCP)** funding totals \$160,184. This program is administered by the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission (NVSC) under contract with the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency (NEMA).

**Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS)** funding is evenly divided between UASI and the Southeast Region at \$258,145 each, for a total of \$516,290. This reflects the MMRS programs in Omaha and Lincoln.

Under the terms of DHS grant funding, the State retains 20 percent of the funding, and 80 percent of the total is pass-through funding designated for local jurisdictions. The total of \$7,226,474 in grant funding is contrasted with a total of \$24,156,542 in funding originally requested by local and regional jurisdictions.